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TO AMEMBASSY MADRID

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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM MATHEA FALCO

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SNAR

SUBJECT: DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION PRESENCE
IN SPAIN

REF: MADRID 4766

1. YOUR TELEGRAM HAS ARRIVED JUST AT A TIME WHEN THE MODE
STAFF ARE QUERYING FIELD POSTS ON THE LATEST DEA PROPOSAL
FOR OVERSEAS STAFFING ADJUSTMENTS. THIS REDUCES AND RE-
PROGRAMS DEA'S OVERSEAS PESENCE FROM A TOTAL OF 362 TO 332
POSITIONS. DEA'S PROPOSAL TAKES ACCOUNT OF CHANGING NAR-

COTICS TRAFFICKING PATTERNS AND IS DESIGNED TO ASSURE THAT
ITS PEOPLE ARE LOCATED IN THOSE AREAS WHERE IT PERCEIVES
THE NEED IS GREATEST. WITH REGARD TO SPAIN, THE PROPOSAL
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NOW BEFORE THE MODE STAFF IS, VERIFYING WHAT YOU HAVE HEARD,
THAT THE BARCELONA DEA OFFICE BE CLOSED WHICH INVOLVES A
DECREASE OF 2 SPECIAL AGENT POSITIONS AND 1 CLERICAL POSI-
TION. CONCURRENTLY, THE PROPOSAL COMTEMPLATES AN INCREASE
IN ONE SPECIAL AGENT POSITION IN MADRID WHICH DEA BELIEVES
APPROPRIATE TO OFFSET THE WITHDRAWAL OF ITS PRESENCE IN
BARCELONA. THIS LATTER APPARENTLY IS AT VARIANCE WITH THE

INFORMATION WHICH CAME TO YOU INFORMALLY. THESE CHANGES, IF APPROVED, WOULD BRING THE DEA STAFFING LEVEL IN SPAIN TO SIX AMERICAN POSITIONS.

2. I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT DEA, S/NM AND THE MODE STAFF ARE ALL WELL AWARE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF CONSULTATION WITH AMBASSADORS WITH REGARD TO UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AGENCY STAFFING IN THEIR COUNTRIES OF ASSIGNMENT. INEVITABLY, HOWEVER, AS IN THIS CASE, PROPOSALS FOR CHANGES IN OTHER AGENCIES ARE DISCUSSED AT VARIOUS LEVELS IN THEIR ORGANIZATIONS PRIOR TO THE HEADQUARTERS' RECOMMENDATION TO THE DEPARTMENT. UPON RECEIPT OF THAT RECOMMENDATION AMBASSADORS ARE CONSULTED. ACCORDINGLY THIS CABLE WILL TAKE THE PLACE OF THE USUAL MODE CABLE AND REQUESTS YOUR VIEWS ON THE DEA CHANGES MENTIONED ABOVE. YOUR CONTINUED INTEREST IN NARCOTICS CONTROL EFFORTS IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.
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